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# Matthew Branham, Nicole A. Branham v. Landan B. Conkle, STS Transit, Inc., STS Logistics, Inc.

Case Number	36D01-2012-CT-000075
Court	Jackson Superior Court 1
Туре	CT - Civil Tort
Filed	12/14/2020
Status	12/14/2020 , Pending (active)

## Parties to the Case

Defendant Conkle, Landan B.

Address 10025 Twp. Rd. 107

Findley, OH 45840

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#1862145, Retained 9801 Connecticut DR Crown Point, IN 46307 219-794-1888(W)

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## Chronological Case Summary

## 12/14/2020 Case Opened as a New Filing

## 12/15/2020 Appearance Filed

Appearance SES-TJL

For Party: Branham, Matthew For Party: Branham, Nicole A. File Stamp: 12/14/2020

## 12/15/2020 Complaint/Equivalent Pleading Filed

Complaint for Damages and Demand for Jury Trial

Filed By: Branham, Matthew Filed By: Branham, Nicole A.

File Stamp: 12/14/2020

## 12/15/2020 Subpoena/Summons Filed

SUMMONS--Conkle

Filed By: Branham, Matthew Filed By: Branham, Nicole A.

File Stamp: 12/14/2020

## 12/15/2020 Subpoena/Summons Filed

**SUMMONS--STS Logistics** 

Filed By: Branham, Matthew Filed By: Branham, Nicole A. File Stamp: 12/14/2020

## 12/15/2020 Subpoena/Summons Filed

**SUMMONS-STS Transit** 

Filed By: Branham, Matthew Filed By: Branham, Nicole A. File Stamp: 12/14/2020

## 12/29/2020 Appearance Filed

Appearance of Thomas S. Ehrhardt

For Party: Conkle, Landan B.
For Party: STS Transit, Inc.
For Party: STS Logistics, Inc.
File Stamp: 12/28/2020

## 12/29/2020 Motion for Enlargement of Time Filed

Motion for Additional Time to Plead or Otherwise Respond

Filed By: Conkle, Landan B.
Filed By: STS Transit, Inc.
Filed By: STS Logistics, Inc.
File Stamp: 12/28/2020

## 12/29/2020 Order Granting Motion for Enlargement of Time

Order Signed: 12/29/2020

# 12/30/2020 Automated ENotice Issued to Parties

Order Granting Motion for Enlargement of Time ---- 12/29/2020 : Susan Elaine Sparks; Thomas Scot Ehrhardt; Thomas Joe Lantz

## 12/30/2020 Certificate of Service - separately filed

Signed return receipt from Defendant, Conkle

Filed By: Branham, Matthew
Filed By: Branham, Nicole A.
File Stamp: 12/30/2020

# 12/30/2020 Certificate of Service - separately filed

Signed return receipt from Defendant, STS Logistics

Filed By: Branham, Matthew
Filed By: Branham, Nicole A.
File Stamp: 12/30/2020

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Signed return receipt from Defendant, STS Transit

Filed By: Branham, Matthew Filed By: Branham, Nicole A. File Stamp: 12/30/2020

## Financial Information

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Financial Balances reflected are current representations of transactions processed by the Clerk's Office. Please note that any balance due does not reflect interest that has accrued - if applicable - since the last payment. For questions/concerns regarding balances shown, please contact the Clerk's Office.

## Branham, Nicole A.

Plaintiff

Balance Due (as of 01/21/2021)

0.00

## **Charge Summary**

Description	Amount	Credit	Payment
Court Costs and Filing Fees	157.00	0.00	157.00

## **Transaction Summary**

Date	Description	Amount
12/15/2020	Transaction Assessment	157.00
12/15/2020	Electronic Payment	(157.00)

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	(a) Ini	tiating Attorneys:			
	Name: Name:	Susan E. Sparks Thomas J. Lantz	Atty. No.: 206' Atty. No.: 868'		
	Address:	Montgomery, Elsner & I 308 West Second Street P.O. Box 647	Pardieck, LLP	Phone: (812) 522-41 FAX: (812) 522-647	
	E-mail:	Seymour, IN 47274 ssparks@meplegal.com tlantz@meplegal.com	e tell	9	
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Jackson County, Indiana

**Jackson Superior Court 1** 

STATE OF INDIANA,	IN THE JACKSON	COURT
COUNTY OF JACKSON, SS:	CAUSE NO.	

NICOLE A. BRANHAM AND MATTHEW BRANHAM, **Plaintiffs** 

LANDAN B. CONKLE, STS LOGISTICS, INC., AND STS TRANSIT, INC., **Defendants** 

# **COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES** AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiffs, Nicole A. Branham and Matthew Branham, by counsel, for their cause of action against the Defendants, Landan B. Conkle, STS Logistics, Inc., and STS Transit, Inc., allege and state that:

- 1. Plaintiffs, Nicole A. Branham and Matthew Branham, are residents of Jennings County, Indiana.
  - 2. Defendant, Landan B. Conkle, resides at 10025 Twp. Rd. 107, Findley, OH 45840.
- 3. Defendant, STS Logistics, Inc., is an Ohio corporation authorized to do business in the State of Indiana.
- Defendant, STS Transit, Inc., is an Ohio corporation authorized to do business in the State of Indiana.
- On or about January 4, 2019, Plaintiff, Nicole A. Branham, was operating a vehicle northbound on U.S. Highway 31 in Jackson County, Indiana, when she stopped in traffic to turn west; her turn signal and brake lights were activated.
- On or about January 4, 2019, Defendant, Landan B. Conkle, was employed by STS Logistics, Inc. and/or STS Transit, Inc.
- On or about January 4, 2019, Defendant, Landan B. Conkle, while in the course of his employment with STS Logistics, Inc. and/or STS Transit, Inc., was operating a vehicle owned by STS Logistics, Inc. with a trailer owned by STS Transit, Inc., northbound on U.S. Highway 31 in Jackson County, Indiana.
- On or about January 4, 2019, Defendant, Landan B. Conkle, negligently operated the vehicle he was driving by failing to keep a proper lookout, driving at an unsafe speed, and failing to

maintain control of his vehicle causing it to collide with the rear of a vehicle driven by Plaintiff, Nicole A. Branham.

- As a direct and proximate result of the Defendant's negligence, Plaintiff, Nicole A. 9. Branham, sustained severe and permanent injuries to her person and endured physical pain, mental suffering, and a loss of enjoyment of life, incurred medical expenses and lost income, and will continue to incur medical expenses and lost income and endure physical pain, mental suffering, and a loss of enjoyment of life in the future as a result of her injuries.
- As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' negligence, Plaintiff, Matthew Branham, suffered loss of consortium of his wife, Nicole A. Branham, including the loss of her services, society, and companionship.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, Nicole A. Branham and Matthew Branham, by counsel, demand judgment against the Defendants in an amount adequate to fully and fairly compensate them for their injuries and damages, the costs of this action, and for all other appropriate relief.

> MONTGOMERY, ELSNER & PARDIECK, LLP \* Dewar & Spachs

Susan E. Sparks #20676-39

Attorney for Plaintiffs

308 West Second Street

P.O. Box 647

Seymour, IN 47274

812-522-4109

# **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiffs, by counsel, demand a trial by jury.

MONTGOMERY, ELSNER & PARDIECK, LLP

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Susan E. Sparks #20670-39

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**Jackson Superior Court 1** 

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STATE OF INDIANA, IN THE JACKSON
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COUNTY OF JACKSON, SS:

CAUSE NO.

NICOLE A. BRANHAM AND MATTHEW BRANHAM, Plaintiffs

LANDAN B. CONKLE. STS LOGISTICS, INC., AND STS TRANSIT, INC., Defendants

## *SUMMONS*

The State of Indiana to Defendant:

Landan B. Conkle 10025 Twp. Rd. 107 Findley, OH 45840

You have been sued by the person(s) named "Plaintiffs" in the Court stated above. The nature of the suit against you is stated in the Complaint and other documents attached to this SUMMONS. It also states the demand which the Plaintiffs have made and want from you. (If the Complaint is not attached, a copy is available for you in the office of the Clerk of said Court).

You must formally answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within 20 days commencing the day after you receive this Summons (23 days if this summons was served by registered or certified mail) or judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiffs have demanded. This is NOT a small claims matter and must comply with the Rules of Court.

If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiffs arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you may be required to assert it in your responsive pleading, if any Dated: December 12/15/2020.

Clerk, Jackson County

The following manner of service of summons is hereby designated: US MAIL, Certified No. 7019 1120 0001 0735 4386

Susan E. Sparks, #20670-39 Thomas J. Lantz, #8683-36 Attorneys for Plaintiffs MONTGOMERY, ELSNER & PARDIECK 308 West Second Street, P.O. Box 647 Seymour, Indiana 47274 Phone: 812-522-4109; Fax: 812-522-6473



# **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that the \_\_\_\_ day of December, 2020, I mailed a copy of this SUMMONS and a copy of the COMPLAINT to Defendant named above, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to address furnished by Plaintiffs.

# <u>RETURN ON SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY MAIL</u>

	Thereby certify the Return Receipt SUMMONS and COMPLAINT mailed to Defendant was returned:
	Accepted by Defendant on the day of, 2020.
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	SUMMONS without the COMPLAINT to the said named person at the address listed herein or . 2020.
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**Jackson Superior Court 1** 

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Jackson County, Indiana

NICOLE A. BRANHAM AND MATTHEW BRANHAM, Plaintiffs

COUNTY OF JACKSON, SS:

STATE OF INDIANA,

v.

LANDAN B. CONKLE, STS LOGISTICS, INC., AND STS TRANSIT, INC., Defendants

# **SUMMONS**

The State of Indiana to Defendant:

STS Logistics, Inc.

c/o Stephen T. Smith, Resident Agent

13863 County Road 119

Upper Sandusky, OH 43351-0000

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Dated: December . 2020.

Clerk, Jackson County

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Jackson County, Indiana

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COUNTY OF JACKSON, SS:

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c/o Stephen T. Smith, Resident Agent

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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE JACKSON SUPERIOR COURT

COUNTY OF JACKSON SITTING AT SEYMOUR

NICOLE A. BRANHAM AND MATTHEW BRANHAM

Plaintiffs,

vs. CAUSE NO: 36D01-2012-CT-000075

LANDAN B. CONKLE, STS LOGISTICS, INC., AND STS TRANSIT, INC. Defendants.

# **E-FILING APPEARANCE BY ATTORNEY IN CIVIL CASE**

# This Appearance Form must be filed on behalf of every party in a civil case.

1. The party on whose behalf this form is being filed is: Responding
The undersigned attorney and all attorneys listed on this form now appear in this case for
the following parties:

# Landan B. Conkle, STS Logistics, Inc. and STS Transit, Inc.

2. Attorney information for service as required by Trial Rule 5(B)(2):

Thomas S. EhrhardtAtty Number: 18621-45KOPKA PINKUS DOLIN PCTelephone: (219) 794-18889801 Connecticut DriveFacsimile: (219) 794-1892

Crown Point, IN 46307 Email: TSEhrhardt@kopkalaw.com

## **IMPORTANT**: Each attorney specified on this appearance:

- (a) certifies that the contact information listed for him/her on the Indiana Supreme Court Roll of Attorneys is current and accurate as of the date of this Appearance;
- (b) acknowledges that all orders, opinions, and notices from the court in this matter that are served under Trial Rule 86(G) will be sent to the attorney at the email address(es) specified by the attorney on the Roll of Attorneys regardless of the contact information listed above for the attorney; and
- (c) understands that he/she is solely responsible for keeping his/her Roll of Attorneys contact information current and accurate, see Ind. Admis. Disc. R. 2(A).
- 3. This is a civil tort case type as defined in administrative Rule 8(B)(3).

4. I will accept service by:

Fax at the above noted number: NO Email at the above noted address: YES

- 5. This case involves child support issues: NO
- 6. This case involves a protection from abuse order, a workplace violence restraining order, or a no–contact order: NO
- 7. This case involves a petition for involuntary commitment: NO
- 8. There are related cases: NO
- 9. Additional information required by local rule: NONE
- 10. There are other party members: NO
- 11. This form has been served on all other parties and Certificate of Service is attached: YES
- 12. Defendants, Landan B. Conkle, STS Logistics, Inc. and STS Transit, Inc., respectfully demand a jury trial.

Respectfully submitted,

## KOPKA PINKUS DOLIN PC

/s/Thomas S. Ehrhardt

Thomas S. Ehrhardt, (#18621-45)

KOPKA PINKUS DOLIN PC 9801 Connecticut Drive Crown Point, IN 46307

Tel: (219) 794-1888 Fax: (219) 794-1892

Email: TSEhrhardt@kopkalaw.com

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020, I electronically filed the foregoing document using the Indiana E-Filing System (IEFS). I further certify that the following persons were served on the same date using the IEFS:

Susan Sparks
Thomas J. Lantz
Montgomery, Elsner & Pardieck, LL
308 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
P.O. Box 647
Seymour, IN 47274

/s/Thomas S. Ehrhardt

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STATE OF INDIANA IN THE JACKSON SUPERIOR COURT

COUNTY OF JACKSON SITTING AT SEYMOUR

NICOLE A. BRANHAM AND MATTHEW BRANHAM

Plaintiffs,

vs. CAUSE NO: 36D01-2012-CT-000075

LANDAN B. CONKLE, STS LOGISTICS, INC., AND STS TRANSIT, INC. Defendants.

# MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL TIME TO PLEAD OR OTHERWISE RESPOND

Come now Defendants, Landan Conkle, STS Logistics, Inc. and STS Transit, Inc., by counsel, Thomas S. Ehrhardt and Kopka Pinkus Dolin PC, and respectfully requests an additional thirty (30) days within which to answer or otherwise respond to the Plaintiffs' Complaint.

Respectfully submitted,

KOPKA PINKUS DOLIN PC

/s/Thomas S. Ehrhardt

Thomas S. Ehrhardt, (#18621-45)

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IN THE JACKSON SUPERIOR COURT

**COUNTY OF JACKSON** 

SITTING AT SEYMOUR

NICOLE A. BRANHAM AND MATTHEW BRANHAM

Plaintiffs,

VS.

CAUSE NO: 36D01-2012-CT-000075

LANDAN B. CONKLE, STS LOGISTICS, INC., AND STS TRANSIT, INC. Defendants.

# ORDER

Defendants, Landan B. Conkle, STS Logistics, Inc. and STS Transit, Inc., file their Motion For Additional Time to Plead or Otherwise Respond. The Court, having reviewed the Motion for Additional Time to Plead or Otherwise Respond hereby GRANTS same and ORDERS that Defendants file their responsive pleading on or before January 27, 2021.

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JUDGE, JACKSON SUPERIOR COURT

AmyMarie Travis

Distribution:

Thomas S. Ehrhardt
Susan Sparks/Thomas J. Lantz

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION	COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY	
<ul> <li>Complete items 1, 2, and 3.</li> <li>Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.</li> <li>Attach this card to the back of the mailplece, or on the front if space permits.</li> </ul>	A. Signature  X. /	9
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